

Appl. No. 09/884,805
Amdt. dated 5th January 2004
Reply to Office communication mailed 08-Mar-04

AMENDMENT and RESPONSE

In response to the Patent Office examiner's Office Action mailed 06 October 2003, please amend the above-captioned case as follows. This Amendment and Response is being re-submitted with a single added phrase "1-21. (Cancelled by earlier amendment)" to the Listing of Claims (page 3 of this response) pursuant to the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment dated 08-Mar-04. The undersigned encourages the examiner to call at a time convenient to the examiner in the event it is believed that a conversation might aid moving prosecution forward. Once again, this amendment has been formatted in the revised format pursuant to published notification by the Patent Office, as best as can be understood. See, MPEP §714 III.

Amendments to the Specification [NONE.]

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the full listing of claims filed with this case, which begins on page 3 of this correspondence to simply clarify that which applicants' regard as their invention, per the examiner's suggestions.

No amendments to the Drawings are deemed necessary, at this time, as applicants have received no objection(s) suggesting any amendment should be made. If objections arise, please notify the undersigned so we can have formals prepared, if required.

Brief Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this correspondence.

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Note: Attached please find a copy of the response filed 6-Jan-04 re-submitted with the single phrase "1-21. (Cancelled by earlier amendment)" added to the Listing of Claims, per Notice of Non-compliant Amendment dated 15-Mar-04.

Respectfully,
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